

## Early Learning Advisory Council (ELAC)

### Feedback Loop

April 5, 2016

ELAC Recommendations/Input and Decisions Made/Status	
<b>Birth – Three Subcommittee</b>	
<p><u>Status Update</u> – DEL is continuing to work on the Birth-3 system design project and is currently working with the Washington Early Learning Partnership agencies (DEL, Thrive, DOH, DSHS and OSPI) plus Health Care Authority to complete the <a href="#">Zero to Three State Self-Assessment</a>. The self-assessment is comprehensive, cross-sector, and draws from research on effective policies and best practices that build a strong Birth-3 system. This group will be developing a plan to engage stakeholders, including the Birth to Three Subcommittee of ELAC, families and regional coalitions, to help develop strategies to address barriers, disparities, gaps and opportunities. In the short-term, DEL is planning 2017-19 legislative requests for current programs and initiative that impact infants, toddlers and their families.</p>	
<b>Early Achievers Review Subcommittee (EARS)</b>	
<p><u>Status Update</u> –The Early Achievers Review Subcommittee of ELAC last met on March 4 and discussed the feedback received from all external groups around Early Achievers barriers (<a href="#">General Barriers</a>; <a href="#">Enrollment Barriers</a>; <a href="#">Rating Barriers</a>; <a href="#">Level 2 Barriers</a>; <a href="#">Data System Barriers</a>; <a href="#">Resources Barriers</a>) and updates on remedial activities, point spread and the applicant cohort model. They also had some discussion about their role in relation to ELAC's and who could be a liaison for the subcommittee. The group is working on finalizing a draft subcommittee charter as well as a work plan that reflects next step direction from ELAC. For more information about the Early Achievers Review Subcommittee you can go to: <a href="http://www.del.wa.gov/partnerships/elac/earlyachievers.aspx">http://www.del.wa.gov/partnerships/elac/earlyachievers.aspx</a></p>	
<b>Advancing Racial Equity Subcommittee</b>	
<p><u>Status Update</u> – The Advancing Racial Equity Work Group met on March 17, 2016 for the first time as a standing work group of ELAC. The group is developing a work plan based on the Racial Equity Implementation Plan &amp; Next Steps. One of the priority activities will be guiding the production of the State/Local Coordination Annual Reflection. The planned report format includes ELAC participant's thoughts on the use of the racial equity lens in their work as well as on the function of ELAC. The work group will also serve as a way to support DEL staff, especially those on the ELAC agenda, on using the racial equity questions.</p>	
<b>Indian Policy Early Learning (IPEL)</b>	
<p><u>Status Update</u> – The Indian Policy Early Learning Committee (IPEL) meets quarterly; IPEL last met on March 2, 2016. You will find a copy of the meeting minutes in your packet. You can find more about how DEL is working with tribal governments at: <a href="http://www.del.wa.gov/government/tribal/Default.aspx">http://www.del.wa.gov/government/tribal/Default.aspx</a> . The IPEL webpage will be updated soon.</p>	